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The Applicants thank Examiner Chai for the telephone interview granted on April 4, 2009, with Applicants' representatives Ms. Natalya Hartmann and Mr. Robert B. Madden. The pending claims in the application, in particular the independent claims, were discussed in view of the 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) rejection of the claims over Kim (U.S. 6,584,199) in view of Albanese (U.S. 2005/0033964).

Amendments to the claims, including incorporation of subject matter from dependent claim 3 into one or more of the independent claims was discussed. These proposed amendments were approved by Applicants' representatives, the amendments to be made through an Examiner's amendment.

These amendments were made in order to further prosecution of the application to an allowance. However, Applicants do not admit or necessarily agree that the claims would not have been patentable in view of the 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) rejection without the incorporation of the Examiner's amendments.

Examiner Chai is invited to telephone the Applicants' representative, Mr. Madden, at (612) 371-2132 if any further questions remain. If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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